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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Dun's review of trade says the business situation is not at present improving. —— Chinese are seriously alarmed at the presence of the German fleet at Kian Chon; a German naval patrol which went a short distance inland was fired upon and forced to retire, although several Chinese were killed. —— Gen. MacArthur's troops occupied Malolos without opposition, the Filipinos abandoning the place. —— American troops in Luzon will not chase the Filipinos during the rainy season; it is proposed to employ natives to fight the guerillas. —— Raleigh's superintendent of health says the city is threatened with an epidemic of smallpox and urges compulsory vaccination. —— British passenger steamer Stella, plying between Southampton, Eng., and the channel islands, wrecked in a fog; seventy or more persons drowned. —— Under orders from Berlin, the Germans in China will occupy two towns in the province of Shang Tung until China is able to give guarantee for preservation of order in that province; this action is regarded as equivalent to effective interference in administrative control within the German sphere of influence.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., March 31.

Temperature: 8 A. M., 68 deg.; 8 P. M., 64 deg.; maximum, 76 deg.; minimum, 55 deg.; mean, 66 deg.

Rainfall for the day, —; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 1.01.

Stage of water in the river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M., 19.1 feet and rising.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—For North Carolina—Fair; colder, except in extreme western portion; brisk westerly winds; probably fair Sunday.

Port Almanac---April 1.

Sun Rises	5.48 A. M.
Sun Sets	6.20 P. M.
Day's Length	12 H. 32 M.
High Water at Southport	11.18 A. M.
High Water, Wilmington	2.48 P. M.

"I am back in the Democratic party now," exclaims Captain Reuben F. Kolb, of Alabama, and he feels better.

Japan's new torpedo boat destroyer, the Inadsuma, is a scorcher. On her trial trip she tripped along at the rate of 31.037 knots an hour.

The British soldier is said to be the best fed soldier in Europe. He has to be, for the British soldier, that is the sure-enough Briton, can't fight or won't fight on a "hempty" stomach.

A young woman who has recovered a $25,000 breach of promise suit against a man who changed his mind, has since had several offers of marriage by mail. One of the proposers offers the inducement that there is a fine opportunity to invest $10,000 in his business.

The St. Louis *Globe-Democrat* rises to remark that the Republican party has always been opposed to Trusts, and declared against them in the first convention it held after Trusts were formed. Talk is cheap. It declares against them and then puts up tariffs to encourage them.

Mr. Tsai Chi, prince of Tuan, China, seems to have made a mash on the Dowager Empress, who has presented him with the "Shang Fend" sword which carries with it the prerogative to chop off the head of any fellow that Mr. Tsai Chi doesn't like, without going through the formality of asking anybody's permission.

An Anderson, S. C., man has patented a contrivance for fastening the ribs of umbrellas with much less work than the old process, which it is said will revolutionize the umbrella building business. If he will now invent an attachment to prevent the umbrella from walking away with some other fellow he will have a fortune in sight.

MONTHLY POLICE RECORD.

Ninety-seven Arrests Were Made During March—Favorable Comparison.

The monthly summary of arrests for March as compiled yesterday by Lieutenant of Police Skipper shows that for the time specified 97 arrests have been made, 31 of the offenders being white and 66 colored.

The offences for which the arrests were made are as follows: Disorderly conduct 30, drunk and disorderly 27, larceny 11, drunk 7, drunk and down 6, burglary 1, receiving stolen goods 1, assault with deadly weapon 2, carrying concealed weapons 1, fast driving 1, keeping disorderly house of ill fame 1, indecent exposure 1, asleep on the street 1, throwing stones in the streets 1, riding bicycle at night without lantern 1, by warrants from elsewhere 3.

The number of arrests compares very favorably with those of other months of the year and is ample evidence that there is no relaxation of effort on the part of the police in preserving order.

LOCAL DOTS.

— No local cotton and naval stores markets are printed in to-day's STAR, the Produce Exchange having been closed on account of holiday—Good Friday.

— During the month of March the Register of Deeds issued twenty-six marriage licenses. Ten of the number were to white persons and sixteen to colored.

— Mr. F. W. Ortmann was summoned by telegraph yesterday to attend the funeral of his brother, whose death occurred at Charleston, S. C., yesterday morning.

— Messrs. Heide & Co. cleared the Swedish barque *Friedrich*, Captain Larsson, yesterday with a cargo of 6,122 barrels rosin and 176 barrels gum thus for London. The cargo was by Messrs. S. P. Shotter & Co., New York.

— Justice McGowan disposed of two uninteresting cases yesterday. The charge in each case was disorderly conduct and assault. The defendants, Pompey Lyon and Mack Faircloth, both colored, were dismissed upon payment of costs.

— Franklin McNeill, Esq., and E. K. Bryan, Esq., have formed a copartnership for the practice of law. The office of the new firm will be the apartments heretofore occupied by Messrs. Ricaud & Bryan. It is a strong law firm, and the STAR wishes them deserved success.

— Capt. B. R. Russell, of the fire department, spent yesterday at Moore's Creek battle ground. He says the monument is being very much defaced by visitors, who chip off pieces for souvenirs. The chipping off of raised letters of the inscription is especially noticeable.

— At both the morning and evening services at St. Andrews' Church to-morrow there will be special music by Mr. C. E. Lindall, late cornet soloist and baritone in Gilmore's band, and Mr. Dave Russell, at one time a member of the choir of Advent Church, Boston. He is popularly known as the "boy tenor."

— Dr. Calvin S. Blackwell is to speak at the Southern Baptist Convention, Louisville, Ky., May 11th, on the "Baptist Young People of the South and Their Opportunity." Several laymen of this city speak of attending. The convention city being more central, the attendance will be much larger than it was in this city two years ago.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

M. H. Curran—Neckwear.
S. W. Sanders—Another cut.
King Grocery Co.—Household helps.
Mercer & Evans—A shoe's mission.
Walker Taylor & Metts—Copartnership.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mrs. E. W. Van Court Lucas left last night for New York.

— Mr. C. J. Woodson, of Galesville, is registered at The Orton.

— Mr. J. L. Amis, of Verona, was registered at The Orton yesterday.

— Mr. A. T. Harper, of Goldsboro, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

— Miss Christine Burfeindt left on the 7 P. M. train yesterday for New York.

— Miss Alice Borden arrived in the city last night from Greensboro College to spend Easter with her parents.

— Mr. S. F. Burbank, of Washington, N. C., a member of the United States engineering corps, is in the city on official business.

— Miss Margarette Harris, of Raleigh, arrived in the city last night and is the guest of Capt. John Williams, on Orange street.

— Miss Lillie Horne, one of Wilmington's charming young ladies, who has been attending Elizabeth College, Charlotte, has returned home.

DEATH OF AN AGED CITIZEN.

Mr. William T. Bray Died Early Yesterday Morning at His Residence.

Mr. William T. Bray, an aged and respected citizen of Wilmington, died at 4:45 o'clock yesterday morning at his residence No. 313 Campbell street, after several months of feeble health.

Mr. Bray came to Wilmington from Jones county a number of years ago and served the city faithfully for some time as a health officer.

Deceased was 76 years of age and leaves a wife and five children, all grown, who survive him and have the sympathy of friends and acquaintances in their bereavement. They are Mr. Thos. C. Bray and Mrs. Lucy Merritt, of this city, and Messrs. Charles D. and Robert Bray and Mrs. Eliza Heap, of Florence, S. C., the last three mentioned having arrived yesterday to attend the funeral, which will be held at 3 o'clock this afternoon from his late residence. The interment will be in Bellevue cemetery.

Carolina and Northern Railroad.

Augustus Mellier, of Philadelphia, one of the promoters of the Carolina and Northern Railroad, has written the *Manufacturers' Record* that contracts are about to be let for grading forty-five miles of this line, and that rails have been purchased for this distance. The section to be built is between Lumberton and Marion, S. C. J. H. McRee, of Wilmington, is engineer in charge.

HEARING IS FINISHED.

All Witnesses for Contestee in Bellamy-Dockery Contest Have Been Examined.

RETURNS FOR TEN YEARS.

In Congressional District Were Submitted in Evidence by Mr. Bellamy's Counsel Yesterday — Other Testimony Probably Next Week.

The taking of depositions of witnesses summoned by Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy, the contestee, in the congressional election case, was concluded before the Notary Court yesterday afternoon.

The first witness examined at the morning session of the investigation was Justice J. M. McGowan. He was examined by Geo. L. Peschau, Esq., and his testimony was seemingly a revelation to counsel for contestant. He testified as to having been a justice of the peace, spent a major part of last election day at the polls; there was no intimidation several negroes having remarked to him that it was the most quiet election they ever saw; every colored voter who came to the polls was treated courteously; the election officers were Democrats, Republicans and Populists; had been an enthusiastic Democrat all his life; was deterred from more active service to his party on election day in November last by injuries received while city health officer; was a candidate for no political preferment; was not present and knew nothing of an alleged riot in Wilmington November 10th; Col. Waddell is at present mayor of the city; was not a member of the "famous" committee of twenty-five said to have been in existence in the city; never heard Col. Waddell or other person admit that they were members of such committee; knew only of destruction of Manly's printing office from newspaper reports; was secretary of White Government Union of Third and Fourth divisions of the Fifth Ward, an organization having for its purpose the holding of a fair election and for prevention of negroes being imported from South Carolina for political purposes. Witness further testified as to incompetency of Republican county officers, speaking from experience gained from dependence upon the same for execution of warrants; stating that it was impossible to have papers served on prominent Republican negroes; testified as to terrible conditions prior to election brought about by negro domination.

Upon conclusion of Justice McGowan's testimony at 2.15 o'clock a recess was taken until 3.30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Upon the re-assembling of the court, Mr. Isaiah West, of the First Ward, was examined also by Geo. L. Peschau, Esq. He was registrar in the third precinct of the First Ward; the full vote of all parties was cast, Dockery receiving something over 300 ballots and Bellamy 75; the election was quiet; was not a member of White Government Union; voted for Bellamy, and has been a Democrat all his life; was appointed a registrar by the Election Board, composed by Clerk of the Court, Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners and Register of Deeds C. W. Norwood. Stated on re-direct examination that Norwood was a Republican.

Junius Davis, Esq., upon conclusion of Mr. West's testimony, examined Col. Jno. D. Taylor, Clerk of the Court. Witness testified that by virtue of his office he was custodan of the registration and poll books of the county; the election returns were made and the books examined after late election according to law. By request Col. Taylor then submitted a tabulated and detailed statement of the white and colored votes cast in the election under consideration.

Upon being cross examined he testified that he now holds the office of Clerk of Superior Court; was member of Board of Elections, which appointed election officers during late election; the board appointed some of the officers recommended by the Republican County Executive Committee and some they did not; both himself and Colonel Roger Moore were candidates for office before election in question; was satisfied that a rapid fire gun described in question by contestant's counsel, was in hands of white citizens of Wilmington for protection against insolence of negroes, but had his knowledge only by rumor; did not know that those people who had gun in their custody were Democrats; was not a member of White Government Union and was not present on occasion of Colonel Waddell's speech in Opera House; knew nothing of "Committee of Twenty-five" referred to; knew nothing of Manly printing office affair; heard fire bell and saw smoke; knew of no pre-arranged plan for destruction of the printing office; never heard any comment on speech of Col. Waddell in Opera House.

The examination of Col. Taylor having been ended with cross-examination by Mr. Spears, counsel for contestee then offered in evidence a tabulated statement of the votes cast for members of Congress in the nine counties comprising the Sixth Congressional district for the years 1888-1898 from the official records in the office of the Secretary of State, duly certified by Notaries Fowler and Wallace.

Dr. J. D. Webster, of Wilmington, and of the First division of the Fourth Ward, was the last witness for the day. He testified that he was registrar in his precinct; the election was quiet and orderly. He was cross-examined as to alleged destruction of Manly's printing office, white Government Unions and the rapid fire-gun in question but knew nothing of their existence. He was examined by Geo. L. Peschau, both in direct and re-direct testimony.

With Dr. Webster, the counsel for the contestee, concluded the examination of the witnesses summoned under the notice served for the depositions to begin on March 28th, but it is probable that further testimony will be heard for contestee during next week, as the time allowed by the Revised Statutes bearing on such cases, has not yet expired.

Dockery's ten day's for rebuttal of the testimony heard this week will begin with the expiration of contestee's time.

SANS SOUCI FERTILIZER WORKS TO BE REBUILT.

With Largely Increased Capacity—Mr. Garrell Estimates His Loss in Excess of Insurance at $2,000.

The STAR is glad to announce that Mr. J. F. Garrell has decided to rebuild the Sans Souci Fertilizer Plant, which was destroyed by fire recently. A satisfactory adjustment of the losses was perfected with representatives of the insurance companies last night, and work upon the new buildings will commence just as soon as plans can be drawn and bids received.

Mr. Garrell says that the new factory will be very much larger than the former one, with a greatly increased capacity. He makes sixteen or more brands of fertilizer and says that it was impossible for him to supply the demand with his old factory, having been very much behind in filling orders at the time the fire occurred. Mr. Garrell estimates that he lost fully $2,000 by the fire over and above the insurance.

A force of hands will probably commence to-day to clear away the debris out at the factory site. It will be necessary, however, first of all to turn water upon the ruins to extinguish a smouldering fire which has been burning ever since the fire occurred on Wednesday evening of last week. Mr. Garrell expects to save large quantities of fertilizer materials which are, he thinks, uninjured by the fire. He could have saved very much more, he says, had he been allowed by the insurance companies to have cleared away the debris and extinguished the fire sooner.

CITY BOARD OF HEALTH.

Interesting Session Held Yesterday—Several Matters Acted Upon—Superintendent's March Report.

An important session of the City Board of Health was held yesterday in the Superintendent's office, Mayor Waddell, Dr. Russell and Dr. McMillan being in attendance.

The Superintendent of Health was instructed to order sanitary improvements in the yard on Nutt street occupied by the Bartholomay Brewing Company.

A communication from the Louisiana Board of Health relative to the prevention of the spread of yellow fever in case it should become an epidemic during the coming Summer, was read and the superintendent instructed to co-operate with the Louisiana authorities and use all diligence in keeping the disease out of Wilmington.

The secretary of the Board was ordered to notify all accouchers and midwives that they must report all births and that section 37 of the city health ordinance will be rigidly enforced.

Dr. McMillan's report as superintendent of health for March shows 11 white and 26 colored deaths and 8 white and 22 colored births. The discrepancy between the white and colored births is largely due to the failure on the part of white people to report births. During the month one quarantine each for smallpox and scarlet fever was established.

The sanitary report showed 5,703 inspections made, 4,863 premises being found in fair condition, 1,843 in bad condition and seven needing special attention. There were fifty seven special inspections, and 1,290 orders for lime and acids were filled.

The superintendent's report also contained a special statement, showing the condition of Wilmington's water and sewerage service. It showed that there are in the city 158 sinks, 3,299 pumps, 448 wells, 493 cisterns, 161 springs and 84 hydrants. There are 567 sewerage connections, and 4,256 surface closets.

The Board of Health is much gratified at the successful manner in which the two or three smallpox cases which have made their appearance in this city during the past few months have been handled and contagion averted. It is certainly an excellent testimonial to the efficiency of both the health officers and the board.

Will Take Oath Of Office To-day.

Franklin McNeill Esq., left last night for Raleigh where he goes to enter upon his duties as railroad commissioner, to which office he was elected by the last Legislature. He will take the oath of office as a railroad commissioner to-day and serve in that capacity for only five days, jointly with Commissioners Rogers and Abbott, when that body ceases to exist and the Board of Corporation Commissioners created by the late Legislature will be organized with Franklin McNeill Esq., Mr, T. L. Rogers and Mr. E. C. Beddingfield as commissioners. Mr. McNeill expects to be in Raleigh for about fifteen days.

WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY AT ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.

Will Convene Next Tuesday Morning. Many Delegates Coming—Features of the Session.

The Spring session of the Wilmington Presbytery will be convened on next Tuesday morning with St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church and continue until and during the Sunday following. The opening sermon will be preached by Rev. W. M. Shaw, of Southport.

There will be thirty or forty out-of-town delegates besides quite a number of lady delegates to the Woman's Convention and Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbytery which also hold sessions during the week. The Woman's Convention will meet Wednesday at 10 A. M.

Wilmington Presbyterians are making all needed preparations for the entertainment of the visiting delegates and one of the most enjoyable and profitable sessions in the history of the Presbytery is assured.

The Wilmington Presbytery comprises about 35 churches, its territory embracing New Hanover, Onslow, Duplin, Sampson, Pender and Brunswick counties.

One of the most notable features of the approaching session is to be an address by Rev. S. H. Chester, D. D., of Nashville, Tenn., Secretary of Foreign Missions who has recently visited China, Corea and Japan and will treat of the mission work in these fields.

A book in which Dr. Chester treats of the situation and mission work in these countries, is soon to be published. Besides the address on Wednesday before the Woman's Convention, Dr. Chester will on Wednesday night at 8 o'clock address a mass meeting at St. Andrews Church.

M. J. DINGELHOEF, JR., DEAD.

Died Yesterday at Nashville—Was Member of Firm of Dingelhoef and Bro. Interment at Chattanooga.

A telegram received here yesterday afternoon by Mr. O. Fred. Dingelhoef brought the sad intelligence of the death of his elder brother, Mr. M. J. Dingelhoef, Jr., which occurred in Nashville, Tenn., early in the afternoon.

The deceased only left this city a few weeks ago, having spent several months here after the death of his father, the late M. J. Dingelhoef, Sr., after which he and his brother, Mr. O. Fred. Dingelhoef, purchased the jewelry store previously owned by their father, the present firm name being Dingelhoef & Bro.

The deceased was in the 31st year of his age, and was very highly esteemed by all who knew him. With the exception of his recent stay of a few months in this city, he has been absent from Wilmington for the past ten years, during which time he was in business at Chattanooga, Tenn. While here last Fall he underwent an operation for appendicitis, and his death is attributable to this terrible disease.

Mr. Dingelhoef married Miss Herst, of Chattanooga, who survives her husband. An only child died more than a year ago. The deceased leaves two brothers—Mr. O. Fred Dingelhoef, of this city, and Mr. H. J. Dingelhoef, of Winston-Salem. The funeral will be in Chattanooga to-day.

The bereaved relatives have the sincere sympathy of a host of friends in this city.

STATE GUARD ENCAMPMENT.

Col. Royster Thinks Wrightsville is the Place for the Camp—Raleigh Post Interview.

While no official order has yet been made, it is generally conceded that the encampment of the State Guard to be held this Summer will be at the State encampment grounds, on Wrightsville Sound. The Raleigh *Post* of yesterday contains the following interesting interview with Col. Royster, to-wit:

"Adjutant General B. S. Royster, who has been in the city for several days giving his attention to matters pertaining to the State Guard and Naval militia, returned home yesterday.

"Among the more important matters considered by the Adjutant General was the coming encampment this Summer. No conclusion was reached, but it is practically certain that the guard will go into encampment at Wrightsvile Beach, Wilmington. Speaking of the encampment, Gen. Royster said: "A decision will probably be reached within ten days as to the place of the encampment next Summer. Only two places are being considered—Morehead and Wrightsville Beach."

Is Now Walker Taylor and Metts.

By reference to the advertising columns of the STAR, it will be seen that Col. Walker Taylor has associated with himself Mr. J. VanB. Metts as a partner in the insurance business, the style of the firm being Walker Taylor and Metts. Mr. Metts has been associated with Col. Taylor as a clerk in the insurance office for the past six years and has, as Col. Taylor, expresses it, rendered invaluable service in the furtherance of the business-like methods which prevail in the office. They represent a number of the leading companies of the world. Mr. Metts is a clever and energetic business man and the STAR notes with gratification the success which is attending his business career.

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A SMALLPOX SCARE.

The Raleigh Superintendent of Health Says an Epidemic is Threatened.

ALDERMEN TAKE ACTION.

Physicians Make a House to House Canvass—State Guard Notes—The Naval Reserves—Superior Court. Base Ball.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., March 31.

During the month of March the American Tobacco Company purchased $104,000 worth of revenue stamps in this district—$80,000 for smoking tobacco stamps and $24,000 for cigarette stamps. Their purchase of stamps in the Western district was also very large. These figures give some idea of the immense amount of business done by the trust in North Carolina, and how completely under its control the tobacco trade of this State is.

Smallpox Pest House.

The recently constructed pest house here is now occupied by its first smallpox patient—Carrie Young, a negro woman. By failure of the health authorities to attend to the case immediately after it was reported, she remained at her home on North street more than twenty-four hours after the disease broke out, and was during that time visited by many negroes. Though all such visitors that can be found have been quarantined, it is feared that case will cause many others.

A. J. Crawford, ex-captain of Company K, First North Carolina regiment, was last night elected captain of the new military company.

The Naval Reserves.

Commander Morton, of the Naval Reserves, has as yet made no report to the Adjutant General in regard to the practice cruise on the *Prairie*. It is thought by Gen. Royster that the Reserves will not make the cruise.

State Superintendent Mebane is sending out a circular letter to County Boards of School Directors, giving the various sections of the new school law defining their duties.

Wake Superior Court adjourned today, a two weeks term having been completed in a little over four days. Ninety-two cases were disposed of, none of them of importance.

U. S. Recruiting Office.

The recruiting office here no longer accepts recruits for service in the Philippines. Those desiring foreign service must go either to Cuba or Porto Rico. Many white men are also enlisting for artillery service along the coast.

A special meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held to-night for the purpose of appointing registrars and poll-holders for the city election to be held May 1st.

The A. & M. College base ball club goes out to Wake Forest to play the college club there. On Monday they play Bingham School here.

The Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows is called to meet in this city May 9th. It will be in session two days.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

Compulsory Vaccination.

The Board of Aldermen to night passed a resolution authorizing the Mayor to employ two physicians to make a house to house canvass, vaccinating all those who would submit and keeping record of those vaccinated, also of those refusing. Dr. McKee, superintendent of health, favored compulsory vaccination at once. He said the city was threatened with an epidemic. If found necessary compulsory vaccination will yet be ordered.

A committee was appointed to welcome back the Raleigh company, now in the First North Carolina regiment. A banquet will be given them in the armory.

The Commissioner of Agriculture appoints E. P. Land, of Edgecombe, fertilizer inspector.

Mount Olive Tobacco Warehouse Company was to-day incorporated, with $82,500 capital stock. The incorporators are H. T. Ham, W. F. Martin, H. G. Williams and R. Kornegay.

VERY LOW MARCH FIRE LOSS.

Fourteen Alarms and Only $189.75 Damage to City Property.

The March report of the Fire Department makes an excellent showing for the efficiency of the service, there having been fourteen alarms of fire and only $189.75 damage to property within the city limits. Two of the alarms were on account of a fire across the river on Eagle Island, in Mr. V. B. Britton's shingle yard, beyond the reach of the Department, which brought the loss by fire up to $3,822.04. The total insurance on buildings in which fires occurred is $12,500, and that on the contents $2,700, the damage to buildings having been $182 and damage to contents $5.75.

The causes of the various alarms were as follows: Defective flues, 2; defective chimney, 1; unknown, 2; coals from grate, 1; sparks from chimney, 4; lamp explosion, 1; accident to stove, 1; chimney on fire, 1, and false alarm 1.

The Eunice Goodrich Co.

Lovers of artistic stage work will welcome the return of the Eunice Goodrich Company next week. The company is composed of actors and actresses equal to all the roles entrusted to them. The management has several novelties to offer between acts, including the Vivrescope, exhibiting a new series of views at each performance. Miss Goodrich will be seen in her illusion dances.

On Monday night ladies will be admitted free when accompanied by a companion with one paid ticket. Popular prices, 10, 20 and 30 cents, will prevail.

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Church Notices.

Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Sixth and Queen streets. There will be the usual services on Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

The Seamen's Bethel: Regular religious services will be held to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Seamen and rivermen are especially invited. All welcome.

First Baptist Church, corner of Market and Fifth streets, Dr. Calvin S. Blackwell, pastor; 11 A. M., "Death, the King of Terrors, uncrowned by the Crucified One," at 8 P. M., "The Soul's Flight from the City of Destruction."

South Side Baptist Church, corner Fifth and Worcester streets, Rev. F. H. Farrington, Pastor. Services Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday School at 2.30 p. m. Weekly Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 7.30.

Fifth Street M. E. Church, South, Rev. J. H. Hall, pastor. Services at 11 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. every Sunday. Sunday School at 3.30 P. M. Prayer meeting at 7.20 P. M. Wednesdays. Public invited to all these services.

First Presbyterian Church, Rev. Peyton H. Hoge, D. D., pastor. Divine service at 11.00 A. M. and 8.00 P. M. The pastor will preach at both services as Dr. Chester is unable to be here. Sunday School at 3.30 P. M. Prayer meeting on Thursday at 8.00 P. M. Seats free.

Immanuel Presbyterian Church, Rev. P. C. Morton, Pastor. Preaching every Sabbath at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday School at 3.30 p. m. Christian Endeavor Society every Wednesday night. Sewing School Tuesday and Saturday at 3.30 to 4.00 p. m.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, corner Fourth and Campbell streets, Rev. A. D. McClure, pastor. Sabbath services: Preaching at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Sabbath School at 3.30 P. M. Presbytery will meet in this church next Tuesday evening at 7.30 o'clock All are cordially invited to attend these services.

Bladen Street Methodist E. Church, southwest corner of Bladen and Fifth streets, Rev. B. B. Culbreth, Pastor. Services to-morrow at 11 o'clock a. m. and 7 30 p. m. Sunday School at 9.30 a. m. Weekly Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7.30 o'clock. Strangers and visitors are cordially invited to attend these services.

Grace M. E. Church, corner of Grace and Fourth streets. Pastor, Rev. A. P. Tyer. Services Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Epworth League prayer meeting each Sunday 7 p. m. Sunday School, J. H. Davis, supt., 3.30 p. m. Weekly prayer meeting Wednesday at 8 p. m. A cordial welcome to all. Visitors to the city especially invited. Seats free.

DIED.

BRAY—In this city, at his residence 413 Campbell street, at 4.45 o'clock yesterday morning, Mr. W. T. BRAY, aged 76 years.

Funeral from residence this (Saturday) afternoon at 3 o'clock; interment at Bellevue Cemetery. Friends and acquaintances invited.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

COPARTNERSHIP.

WILMINGTON, N. C., MARCH 31, 1899.

I have this day admitted Mr. John VanB. Metts to an interest in my Insurance business. Having been a clerk in my employ for a number of years, renders Mr. Metts a valuable acquisition in the furtherance of the business-like methods which have won for this Agency a reputation for strict attention to Patron's interests and prompt settlement of losses.

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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, APRIL 1.

WHAT A CONTRAST,

The American troops in the Philippines win victories but they are not hailed with the enthusiasm and rejoicing that followed the victories won in Cuba. There is a feeling of pride, of course, in the dash and the daring and the plucky achievements of our soldiers, who are doing better, harder and more dangerous fighting than our troops did in Cuba, for fighting Spaniards was a picnic compared with the desperate jungle fighting they are now doing; but while their valor is fully appreciated and freely applauded it does not inspire the joyous enthusiasm that marked the whole course of the Cuban war, when our people went wild over even little scrimmages in which our soldiers or sailors acquitted themselves well, and they hailed the fighters as heroes that their country might be proud of. Our men in the island of Luzon are showing just as much true courage, just as much country pride, just as much loyal devotion, just as much reckless bravery, just as much willingness to sacrifice their lives in the line of duty as any of our soldiers in Cuba did, and yet their achievements fail to evoke the enthusiasm that swept over the country when even a little victory for Cuba was won.

Why is this? Why this change? They are our soldiers, they are there because they have been sent there and they are doing their duty as loyally, bravely and devotedly as soldiers ever did it. It is not because they are so far away that the lustre of their achievements is dimmed by the distance the story has to travel and the time intervening, for with ocean cables we know one day the story of the heroism of the day before. No. It is not lack of interest in our men nor lack of pride in their valor. It is something else, and that something is that the American people have no heart in this war against the Filipinos, and cannot feel enthusiasm over what they have no heart in. When we espoused the cause of the struggling Cubans, American chivalry was in it, even our little boys, and girls and their mothers and sisters felt the thrill and it was felt from one end of the country to the other, for they all felt proud of the country which with no selfish motive, no thought of gain espoused the cause of the weak and oppressed struggling for freedom and resolved that they must be free. In that there was no taint of greed for gain, nor lust of empire, there was nothing in it that wasn't chivalrous, noble and grand and as we were all proud in the beginning, before the first blow was struck, we were even prouder in the end when the last blow was struck and with it fell Spanish dominion and oppression in Cuba and the Cubans saw the happy realization of their hopes and prayers, and the fruiting of their numerous struggles for freedom.

On the other side of the Pacific were a people struggling as the Cubans were against Spanish misrule and oppression. They were told that the great Republic of America had espoused the cause of the struggling Cubans, and would free them from Spanish dominion. They were told that what that great Republic would do for the Cubans it would also do for the Filipinos, if they would cooperate and strike for freedom. They believed what was told them, did strike, did co-operate with the gallant commander of our fleet, and did their work so well that they drove the Spaniards from post to post and finally cooped them up in Manila, where they were at the mercy of the guns on our ships and became easy captives.

This our allies did, they did it trustingly, and zealously. The Spanish flag come down and we didn't have to sacrifice a man to bring it down; and then when these devoted allies, who had so faithfully and loyally done their part of the work, expected to see the fulfilment of their hopes which had been encouraged, greed crept in and converted what professedly was a disinterested war into a game of greed and grab, as conspicuous as the breach of faith was infamous. The trader took the place of the deliverer, and the dickerer for land the place of the soldier, and the trade by the Paris commission was the result.

What a disreputable, disgusting conclusion of what promised to be and might have been a glorious epic, if the mercenary, grasping spirit had not usurped the place of chivalry and generosity, and sent our soldiers out to re-enslave the people whom they had emancipated from Spanish thraldom. That's what they are fighting to do now, in obedience to command, and that's why the American people are not and cannot be enthusiastic over that war, a war for subjugation, against a people whose only offence is that they insist upon being free, upon our keeping faith with them and protest against being held as subjects by the country which helped to break the chains that bound them as subjects of Spain. That's the head and front of their offending and that's why the heart of the people of this country is not in the war as it was in the war for Cuba. One was a war to free the oppressed—a glorious war; the other to oppress the freed—a war with neither honor nor glory in it. The American people see the contrast and they feel it and the shame.

BEGINNING TO SEE IT.

It is said that President McKinley was undecided as to the expansion policy, and the holding of the Philippines, until he made that Western swing 'round some time ago, and returned to Washington under the impression that expansion was popular in the West. When he referred to the planting of the flag on foreign soil the crowds cheered and he took this as a sure indication that the people who cheered the mention of raising the flag were in favor of keeping it up under any and all circumstances, right or wrong, and then, if not before, Mr. McKinley became an expansionist, although he has since declared that he had formulated no policy as to the Philippines, leaving that for Congress and the people to do.

But whether he had, or now has a policy or not, or whether he correctly or incorrectly construed these cheers that greeted his utterances in his Western tour or not, it is becoming pretty apparent now that if the Western people were carried away by their national pride and enthusiasm then they have since taken a second and more sober thought of that question, as they begin to realize the size of the job on hand and the position in which the attempted subjugation of the Filipinos put this country.

The Chicago *Times-Herald* ranks as one of the leading Republican papers if not *the* leading paper in West. It is also, on account of the friendly relations between its editor-in-chief and Mr. McKinley, looked upon as a White House organ, and therefore more than ordinary significance attaches to its editorial utterances on State policies. In a recent issue, speaking of the Philippine situation, it declared that the United States want no second battle of Manila, and have "neither the blood-thirst nor land-hunger that will tolerate a war of conquest whose battle-fields are shambles and whose victories are butcheries," and then, suggesting the way out, it says:

"Let the President proclaim the purpose of the United States to be pacification with a view to the ultimate independence of the islands. Let him summon the chieftains of the principal sections of the country to a council to devise some system of home-rule until the Filipinos are able to assume all the obligations of government. Let him announce that we have no intention of annexing Asiatic territory, and that the pledge of Congress as to Cuban independence will be the pledge of the American nation to the Philippines."

Since this was published there have been numerous battles on the island of Luzon, harder and more destructive battles than the battle of Manila, and for miles there with the ravages of both armies and the torches of the retreating Filipinos, the country presents a picture of desolation. "The battle-fields have been shambles and the victories butcheries."

What the *Times-Herald* suggests in the extract which we produce is precisely what the opponents of expansion and imperialism have demanded all along, for demanding which they were denounced as Aguinaldo's friends and aids and as "traitors" to their country, and the expansionists stubbornly refused to say one word to dispel the fears of the Filipinos, which would have been dispelled by an authoritative declaration that the course to be pursued in Cuba would be the course pursued in the Philippines.

That would have satisfied the Filipinos, but that was not what the expansionists wanted and therefore they would not say it. We are now paying the penalty of that stolid silence, in "battle fields that are shambles, in victories that are butcheries," and in a once attractive country converted into a picture of desolation, costing us many millions of dollars, and how many lives we yet have no idea of.

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

INDUSTRIAL PROGRESS.

Few of us have any idea of the industrial progress of this country until the figures are presented showing what has been done. At the last meeting of the National Association of Manufacturers, in Philadelphia, its President, Mr. Theodore C. Search, in his address, presented some interesting statistics, showing the steady and continuous increase in our exports of manufactured goods. In 1821 they aggregated only $5,623,077, or 12.88 per cent. of the total exports, which amounted to $43,671,894. Last year our manufactured exports amounted to $228,871,449, or 23.87 per cent. of the total exports, which aggregated $1,210,212,097.

It must be remembered in this connection that while the increase in the volume of our manufactured exports has been steady there has been little systematic effect made in that direction, our manufacturers seeming content with the home market, and the aim of our statesmen, for the past thirty years, at least, seemingly being to build up the "home market," by keeping out as far as practicable, foreign manufactures. Multiplying manufactories in time outgrew the home market, and the manufacturers were compelled to seek foreign markets to do a profitable business.

They have found the markets and have found them profitable enough to give stimulus to the effort to add to these markets and to increase their trade with them. The success with which they have met in competing with their foreign rivals gives assurance that the volume of exports will continue to increase, even to a larger extent than it has done in the past.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Ex-Senator Gorman and ex-Secretary Olney are being "suggested" as candidates for the Democratic presidential nomination; nevertheless the probabilities are that Col. Bryan will be the nominee.—*Savannah News, Dem.*

—— The preliminary report of the Income Account of Railways issued by the Inter-State Commerce Commission, shows that the railways of the country were much busier during 1898 than they were in 1897. In fact, the deficit of 1897 of $1,500,000 was changed in 1898 to a surplus of $42,500,000.—*Brooklyn Citizen, Dem.*

—— Having practically divided up Darkest Africa between them the people of France and England will henceforth have as much trouble in dealing with their Africans as the people of the United States have encountered in dealing with theirs. What to do with the black man is one of the great problems of the coming century.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

—— The policy pursued in the Philippines by the McKinley administration reminds a gentleman of an anecdote of Frederick the Great of Prussia. One day he met a Berlin citizen and without provocation, caned him severely. As the King's blows fell upon the unoffending man, the monarch shouted: "Confound you, I want you to love me!" *Augusta Chronicle, Dem.*

TWINKLINGS.

— Wife (ominously)—"I know where you were last night, sir!" Husband—"(irritably)—"Then why don't you tell me? Can't you see I'm in no mood to be kept in suspense?"—*Detroit Journal.*

— Husband—"What! Another hundred-dollar gown. Didn't I tell you that you must keep within your allowance?" Wife (triumphantly)—"You said unless in case of absolute necessity!"—*Puck*

— Dentist—"Did you ever take gas before?" Farmer Haycede—"Look here, smarty, that joke gone's fur enough, b'gosh 'lmighty! Reckon that consarned hotel clerk's bin tellin' you about it, too."—*Boston Journal.*

— "There goes one of the hardest worked men in this town." "How can that be possible? He's rich, isn't he?" "Yes, but he has three married daughters who work him for the support of their husbands."—*Chicago News.*

— "My wife never buys a hat, a gown or even a pair of gloves without first consulting me." Is that so? Well, old man, your wife's a wonder. You ought to be able to save money." "I could, probable, if she didn't always go and get what she wanted just the same as if I had agreed to it."

— Impudence: "I have just learned," she said, with a perceptible tinge of asperity, "that I am the ninth girl to whom you have been engaged." "Well," he suavely replied, "that ought to make you glad." "Glad!" she exclaimed; "I'd like to know why?" "Don't you know," he answered, "that there's luck in odd numbers?"

— The ward heeler with whom the ambitious politician had been in consultation an hour or more shook his head slowly. "I don't know how it will turn out," he said. "But I'll do the best I can for you. How about the liquor question?" "I was about to ask it," replied the ambitious politician. "What'll you take?"—*Chicago Tribune.*

— "I am afraid there are chemicals in this can of beef," said the buyer. "Don't you know," said the seller, indignantly, "that some of the most expensive things known to the mercantile world are chemicals?" "Yes." "And yet you find fault if we put a prize in every package! There's human nature for you!"—*Washington Star.*

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Wilson *News*: Mr. Iredell Williams is starting a new industry in Wilson county. He is stocking his pond, nine miles from Wilson, on the Nash road, with gold fish, and next year he will have these beautiful piscatorial pets on the market for sale.

— Elizabeth City *Carolinian:* A stock company with a capital of $15,000 has been organized here to establish and operate a rice mill. —— The wheat is reported to be looking well. Only a small acreage was sown in this section. —— Because of the general failure of the crops in this county the past year many of the farmers, having no produce to sell, find themselves financially cramped.

— Gastonia *Gazette*: Bob Houston, a well known colored man of Gastonia, is dead. Rich Miller broke his head with an axe Tuesday night so that he died yesterday morning. The affair occurred near the old saw mill place, not far from Mr. Jim Shannon's. When Miller went home after his day's work he found that his wife was gone. He learned which way she went and set out after her. He found her and Bob Houston together, both drinking or drunk. Bob had his axe with him. He had been cutting cord wood. This was about the time the vestibule passes along. Miller took Bob's axe, brained him, and escaped. The wounded negro lay there all night and died about six o'clock the next morning.

— Chatham *Record:* A man passed through this place on last Saturday who is making one of the longest journeys on foot (if his tale be true) that any man ever made. He said that he is from New York, and is rolling a wheelbarrow from that city to British Columbia, via New Orleans and San Francisco, and he must make the trip within two years. He said that a wager of $5,000 is pending upon the result of his trip. His tale may be true, and may not. He looked like a common tramp, and it may be that he has resorted to the novel device of rolling a wheelbarrow through the country in order to attract attention and get money. He had a cover over his wheelbarrow, in which he carried his outfit, all weighing about eighty-five pounds. He spent the night, camping out, in a pine thicket near here. He departed westward, in the direction of Asheboro.

— Clinton *Democrat*: Miss Florence Matthis died suddenly at the home of her father, M. J. Tate Matthis, near Arcot, Taylor's Bridge township, on Thursday morning, the 23rd inst. She was aged about twenty years. —— Mr. Edwin W. Herring died suddenly at the home of his father, Mr. O. L. Herring, in South Clinton, on Wednesday afternoon the 22d inst. He had not been well for some time, though so sudden a termination of his life was not expected. While in the yard he was attacked by a violent hemorrhage of the lungs, and died within five minutes. —— Mr. Stewart Merritt of Arcot, Taylor's Bridge township, has two wells about thirty yards apart on his farm. One of them is about 28 feet deep and the other about 16 feet. In the latter the water has been standing nearly level with the surface, while in the other has not come withen 20 feet of the top of the well and it appears to be boiling all the time. However, the water is cool and excellent for drinking purposes. The boiling appearance is supposed to be caused by the escape of natural gas or by water running down from veins in the side of the well. The difference in the character of the two neighboring wells constitutes something of a phenomenon.

APPOINTMENTS

By the Bishop of East Carolina.

April 2, Easter Day, M. P., S. John's; E. P., S. Joseph's, Fayetteville.
April 4, Tuesday, E. P., S. Matthew's, Maxton.
April 5, Wednesday, Com., S. Matthew's, Maxton.
April 5, Wednesday, E. P., Red Springs.
April 9, Sunday 1st after Easter, M. P., Christ Church, Rockfish.
April 9, Sunday 1st after Easter, E. P., S. Andrew's, Flea Hill.
April 16, Sunday 2nd after Easter, M. P., Christ Church.
April 16, Sunday 2nd after Easter, E. P., S. Cyprian's, Newbern.
April 17, Monday, S. Thomas', Craven Co.
April 18, Tuesday, S. Paul's, Vanceboro.
April 19, Wednesday, E. P., Stonewall.
April 20, Thursday, Com., Stonewall.
April 21, Friday, Grace Church, Trenton.
April 25, Sunday 3rd after Easter, M. P., S. John's, Wilmington.
April 23, Sunday 3rd after Easter, E. P., Good Shepherd, Wilmington.
April 30, Sunday 4th after Easter, M. P., S. James', Wilmington.
May 7, Sunday 5th after Easter, Lake Waccamaw.

A KING AS AN AMERICAN SUITOR.

Louis Philippe Rejected by a Merchant, but Accepted by a Monarch.

"One day the Duke of Orleans prepared his attire with all the solicitude of a young man and lover," says William Perrine in an article in The Ladies' Home Journal on the times when Louis Philippe taught school in Philadelphia. "If his white knee breeches were of cloth, his stockings were certainly of silk. He picked out from his traveling chest the shirt most lavishly lace beruffled at bosom and at wrist. He donned his silk waistcoat, artistically brocaded on a white ground. His coat of dark green silk had tails that reached his ankles, and in one of the pockets was an elegant snuffbox from Versailles, while the other held an equally elegant kerchief. With a bunch of seals pendent from either fob, a long polished cane in his hand and a beaver hat of most graceful curve upon his long black hair, our royal suitor put his best foot foremost and was off to propose for his ladylove's hand—to her father. He halted under the twin buttonwood trees that shaded the front of the mansion of Mr. Willing, who might be his father-in-law, and he rapped with the knocker at the door, while his heart went pitapat at the thought of Mistress Abigail, who might be his wife. The wide, generous hall admitted him to the parlor, the folding doors a little later admitted Mr. Thomas Willing, arbiter of his fate, and the proposal was made in form. Mr. Willing replied:

" 'Sir, should you ever be restored to your hereditary position you will be too great a match for my daughter. If not, she is too great a match for you.'

"More than a dozen years elapsed. Louis Philippe, still poor, still exiled from his country, was in Sicily. French armies had driven thither from his throne Ferdinand IV, king of Naples, and in that king's daughter, Marie Amelie, Louis Philippe found the living image of his early love. The king of Naples was not good at antitheses. His acquaintance with politics was better than his command of rhetoric. He graciously answered, 'Yes.' "

Shoved Back the Tide.

"Bletherin Bobbie, a Dumfarlin cairter," went down to Charlestown one day for a load of sand, but to his dismay found it was high water, and none could be got. After pouring out the vials of his wrath on the barbor master for allowing the tide to rise he went home with his empty cart. Coming back next day when it happened to be low water, he exclaimed:

"Aye, this is something like the thing. The best o' folk's nane the waur o' bein spoken to."—Dundee People's Journal.

STUCK IN THE SNOW.

Dangers of Traveling by Sledge In Siberia In Winter.

Traveling by sledge in Siberia in winter has its perils, as the experience of Mr. Robert L. Jefferson and his friends goes to illustrate. The incident is told in "Roughing It In Siberia:"

We had chartered six sorry looking horses to drag us on to the next stage. It was night when we started. The driver, maudlin drunk, had to be helped to his seat, and we set off along the narrow roadway at the usual gallop, which, however, soon dwindled into a mere shuffle through the snow. We had gone to sleep, and some hours after our departure Gaskell woke me and said he thought something was wrong.

The sledge was at a standstill, and our shouts to the yemshik brought no response. Black darkness prevailed. I bundled out of the sledge, so benumbed that I could scarcely move. I felt along the sledge, sinking to my knees in the snow.

The driver's perch was empty, and just then I stumbled over one of the horses, which was lying buried up to its neck. It was clear that the driver had fallen from his seat, and that the horses had wandered from the track. The poor beasts were stuck fast, and a closer inspection showed one of them to be dead, literally frozen to death. If we would save ourselves from the same fate, prompt action was necessary.

The other horses were nearly succumbing. They lay flat on their stomachs and nibbled at the snow. We cut the dead animal adrift, and, using the spare rope as whips, we stood on either side of the living and lashed them till our arms ached. At length they moved, and by pushing and pulling we got the sledge turned. Then, step by step, with much floundering and many falls, we began to retrace our way.

All this in pitch darkness in a raw, cold wind and in momentary expectation of one or all of the horses dropping dead.

It was a terrible experience, but we regained the road and finally reached the village.

BLIND MAN'S BUFF.

The Origin of This Favorite Sport of Childhood and Youth.

This favorite sport of childhood and youth is of French origin and very high antiquity, having been introduced into England in the train of the Norman conquerors. Its French name, "Colin Maillard," was that of a brave warrior, the memory of whose exploits still lives in the chronicles of the middle ages.

In the year 999 Liege reckoned among its valiant chiefs one Jean Colin. He acquired the name Maillard from his chosen weapon being a mallet, wherewith in fight he used literally to crush his opponents. In one of the feuds which were of perpetual recurrence in those times he encountered the Count de Louvain in a pitched battle, and, so runs the story, in the first onset Colin Maillard lost both his eyes. He ordered his esquire to take him into the thickest of the fight, and, furiously brandishing his mallet, did such fearful execution that victory soon declared itself for him.

When Robert of France heard of these feats at arms, he lavished favors and honors upon Colin, and so great was the fame of the exploit that it was commemorated in the pantomimic representations that formed part of the rude dramatic performances of the age. By degrees the children learned to act it for themselves, and it took the form of a familiar sport.

The blindfolded pursuer, as, with bandaged eyes and extended hands, he gropes for a victim to pounce upon, seems in some degree to repeat the action of Colin Maillard, the tradition of which is also traceable in the name, blind man's bluff.—Philadelphia Press.

The Last Days of Carlyle.

He generally spends his mornings till about half past 2 o'clock between lying on the sofa reading in his easy chair and smoking an occasional pipe, writes Carlyle's niece Mary to his sister Mrs. Hanning in The Atlantic. At half past 2 he goes out to drive for two or two and a half hours, sleeps on the sofa till dinner time (half past 6), then after dinner sleeps again; at 9 has tea, reads or smokes or talks or lies on the sofa till bedtime, which is usually about midnight, and so ends the day. He looks very well in the face, has a fine, fresh, ruddy complexion and an immense quantity of white hair; his voice is clear and strong; he sees and hears quite well. But for the rest, as I have said, he is not good at moving about. In general he is wonderfully good humored and contented, and, on the whole, carries his 84 years well. He desires me to send you his kind love and his good wishes. As you know, he writes to nobody at all. I do not think he has written a letter, even dictated one, for over a year.

YEARS OF TORTURE.

Relief at Hand Had He Only Known Where to Look For It.

Let us, my good friends, always suit our tools to the work to be done. We do not trim our nails with broadswords or carve statues with adzes. Now a word is a tool, just as a hoe is, or a razor. The figure of Liberty on a quarter of a dollar is impressed there by a machine made for the purpose. By the same token words were invented to imprint thoughts and ideas on the minds of others. And every word or expression has a currency meaning of its own so long as we refrain from using them in a slack or careless way.

Just as the Lord Mayor's coach, or one's own best clothes are not intended for every little trumpery occasion, so great words should be reserved till the time comes when nothing else will do. When a man singes his whiskers by the slovenly handling of a lighted match, we do not rouse up the fire department.

Now the word "excruciating" is one of the strongest words in the English language. It tingles with sharp significance as a black cat's back spaps with electricity on a frosty night Only shallow people will take liberties with this word. In our ordinary talk it does not come properly into play once a year; and rightly so. For it alludes to a kind of mental or physical suffering that we desire to avoid thinking or speaking of. If the root meaning of the word "excruciating" escapes you for a moment look it up in the dictionary. It is a word with a pedigree, and its ancestors have supped with horrors since men began to make history.

The question then that you and I have to settle is, whether Mr. Geo. B Simpson employed this dignified and exclusive word justifiably when he said, "I was troubled twelve years with much pain in the small of my back. So continuous was it that I ceased to take pleasure in work. Indeed, I ceased to take pleasure altogether. With me life got to be a thing to endure, not to enjoy. I am speaking within bounds when I say that at times these pains were *excruciating*.

"With the pains in my back I suffered from terrible periodic headaches and profound mental depression. I was a prey to anxiety and apprehension, the cause of which I was unable to locate or understand. Yet to look at me you would hardly have fancied my true condition. Sometimes when appearing at my best and receiving the congratulations of my friends on what they were pleased to call my obvious improvement, I still felt wretched and miserable. But nobody sympathized with me. I suppose it was because I was not emaciated or run down, as persons with dangerous diseases are commonly supposed to be.

"While on this point, I may perhaps be permitted to say that affections of the kidneys, even Bright's disease itself, often co-exist with a generally healthy external appearance on the part of the patient. The poor fellow may be within a few weeks of his death and yet to the uninstructed eye look well enough to pass for a sound man.

"The secretion from my kidneys was high colored and offensive, with a considerable brick dust deposit. I cannot set forth in writing what I suffered and shall not try. The headaches alone I thought, a sufficient punishment for such unconscious offences in the matter of eating and drinking, as had brought this complaint upon me."

[The editor begs to interrupt Mr. Simpson to remind him, and others as well, that in inflicting penalties Nature never stops for a moment to consider whether the offences were consciously committed or not. Juries and judges, are continually moved either by sympathy for the prisoner or prejudice against him. Nature is cold as a tombstone, yet perfectly fair and impartial. Whether you take a dose of poison ignorantly or unintentionally, or with the purpose to commit suicide, the result is precisely the same. Nature will not push you over the cliff, neither will she put out her hand to save you from being dashed to pieces. Think of this when you are tempted to meddle with her arrangements].

"The doctors," continues Mr. Simpson, "gave me no relief, although I consulted many and followed their directions faithfully. I do not blame them, for they did their best; and I cannot praise them as their best was no advantage to me.

"It was my custom to buy my toilet articles at the Walker-Rintels Drug Co., 244 Boylston Street, and one day I told Mr. D. Wallace Rintles about my condition and the failure of the doctors to help me. He at once suggested the use of Warner's Safe Cure. As to the virtue of this medicine, although I had heard of it, I was very skeptical. I considered the advertised statements of its merits exaggerated, yet I bought a bottle on the bare chance of its doing me good. After having taken a few doses my headaches were certainly less frequent and less intense. Greatly delighted at this hopeful outcome I kept on taking the medicine regular and improved steadily; and before long the symptoms I have named wholly disappeared.

"At the date of this writing I have been well long enough to make sure that my cure is radical and permanent. In spite of the pain and peril of those twelve fearful years I have to-day as good an appetite, as clear a head and as sound a body as any man in Boston. As an illustration of it I need only say that the very insurance company which had previously rejected me on account of an 'incurable disease of the kidneys' has since written a heavy policy on my life. I weigh more than I used to do and my flesh is healthy and solid. I am rid of the puffiness which marks the chronic sufferer from kidney trouble. And for this transformation I hereby acknowledge indebtedness to Warner's Safe Cure and that only." George B. Simpson, 23 Church Street, Boston.

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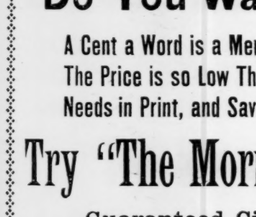

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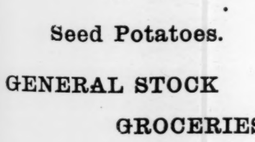

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These narrow compartments are especially susceptible to dampness and rust, and in order that those who have the care of them may do their duty well and so prevent the decay of the ship a system of inspection has been devised, and the inspectors must be, under the naval regulations, commissioned officers. A permanent board of inspection is formed upon each ship, which must consist of one engineer and two line officers. The duty of this board is periodically to make personal inspections of all the parts of the ship, examine everything critically, suggest remedies for any evils that may be found to exist and to report to the commanding officer, for transmission to the navy department, the condition of the vessel in detail.

Uniforms are discarded while making these inspections, and clad in seamen's ordinary working suits these officers crawl upon all fours throughout the length of the bottom of the ship, wriggle snakelike through narrow openings and examine with their own eyes every inch of the surface of the thin steel plates. The paint of these compartments, softened by dampness in some places and by heat and the steam laden air of the boiler rooms in others, rubs off upon the working suits, and an hour's crawling transforms the neat officer into a very sorry spectacle. In some modern navies this duty is performed by the enlisted men, the officers being excused from it, but in our navy the feeling exists that an enlisted man should not be asked to go where an officer is not willing to lead. The result is that "things always work" with the Americans and the efficiency of the fleet is assured.

Numerous precautions must be taken to avoid the risk of losing life while performing this duty, for it is attended with no little danger. The atmosphere of confined spaces entirely or partly closed for a considerable length of time becomes robbed of its oxygen in the formation of rust and is soon made unfit to sustain life. If possible, such compartments are blown out with pure air led through a hose from a blower duct and all manhole plates removed before being entered. A lighted candle is always carried by the inspecting officer upon his crawling tour. If the candle burns dimly or seems upon the point of being extinguished, there is a deficiency of oxygen, and he will immediately seek the nearest opening leading from the compartment and leave it at once. Men are stationed at places as near as possible to him, so that they may hear his voice and render immediate assistance in case of need. No one is allowed to enter any confined space on board ship without an uncovered light, although in addition a portable electric light is carried frequently to render the inspection more thorough.

It not infrequently happens that officers and men become so wedged between bulkheads and beams while performing this duty as to make it extremely difficult to remove them, and more than one officer of the navy is upon the retired list today because of permanent injury to his health contracted while performing this arduous labor. Because of the care exercised it is rare that a life is lost in this service, but in one case at least the rashness of a man proved fatal to him. One of the main boilers of the cruiser Newark, while flagship of the south Atlantic station, having been tightly closed for a month, while empty, in order to preserve it from deterioration, the coppersmith of that vessel, an energetic, faithful man, thought its interior should be examined and, although warned repeatedly never to enter such a boiler without an open light, removed an upper manhole plate and crawled in upon the braces with an electric light. He told no one that he was going into the boiler, and no one was stationed to assist him in case of need. His dead body was found half out and half in the boiler manhole with the electric light still burning brightly within the boiler. He had evidently crawled in upon the braces, felt a faintness creeping over him and had endeavored to regain the open air, but lost consciousness just as life lay within his reach, and so died of asphyxiation.

The air in the boiler had been entirely robbed of its oxygen by the iron of the shell in the formation of rust, and the residuum was unfit to breathe. A lighted candle was snuffed out immediately upon being thrust into the boiler, and this condition prevailed until a lower manhole plate was removed, when the heavy gas ran out as water might, and the air within soon came to be quite pure. No more vivid illustration of the dangers to be encountered in the care of ships afloat and the precautions necessary to be taken in this duty could be given than this incident, which shows that shot and shell and bursting steam pipes are not the only dangers that confront the officers and men of Uncle Sam's navy.—New York Sun.

His Reason.

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Silver as Hesper, and rose red as Mars;
A low wind flung the lanterns low and high—
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—"The Wind in the Trees," by Katherine Tynan.

THE DRUNKEN MAN.

And the Mystery of How He Steers Clear of Danger.

"Drunken men, of course, do fall down cellarways and that sort of thing," said Mr. Nozzleby. "We read about it occasionally in the papers, but still such mishaps are comparatively rare. Men seem to stagger up to the very verge of such places and then sheer off in safety. Probably everybody that has lived in a city has at one time or another followed some drunken man with his eye and seen him, as he pursued his zigzag course along the sidewalk, lurch up to and fairly lean over the top step of some basement stairs, seen him still leaning, as though he must inevitably topple over and go smashing down to the bottom, only to observe him finally sway back, away from the steps, to start again on his devious course and bring up a moment later on the curbstone hanging in the same manner and in the same danger of falling, now into the gutter.

"But he doesn't fall, and one wonders what preserves him. He staggers on his way and stumbles sometimes, but recovers himself and never quite goes down. Again he skims smooth and straight along the very edge of some danger spot, but keeps right on into safety. And so he pursues his crooked and dangerous way with a dip or a dive now and then that brings the heart into the mouth of some passerby who chances upon him suddenly, and at times it seems as though he must go down, but something keeps him up, and some instinct, apparently independent of himself, turns him back from the brink. With such glimmering of sense as he has left, if he has any, he struggles hard to keep up. He may not realize it himself, but instinct makes known to him that if once he goes down he can't get up.

"Pursuing a straight course, you soon come up with and pass the staggerer going crisscross, steering out perhaps as you pass to avoid collision with him."—New York Sun.

To Church on Sunday In a Boat.

One of the most characteristic and most charming incidents in rural Norwegian life is still, as it must always have been, to go to church on Sunday in a boat. The parishes are of enormous extent, and it is a common thing for one old priest to have charge of three or four remote churches. Early in the morning, at distant points, the congregation puts out upon the fiord, and nothing is more picturesque than at the close of the voyage to see the little flotilla of red brown sails collecting toward the point of worship. When service is held but once in three or four weeks, a short sermon would defraud the congregation. I sat out one of 50 minutes the other day in a great bare church that was all a-flutter with the enormous white headdresses (or skout) of peasant women.

This sermon seemed lengthy, yet it was only an incident in the service, which lasted four hours. After three of them, however, a stranger may slip out and will have done wisely if he brings some sandwiches with him to eat under the birch trees by the shore. The churches in these secluded havens, where never a tourist comes, are marvelously large. Behind the church, if we stroll about, we see a crowd of carriols, and many plump white ponies eating their heads off, the mothers with their foals beside them. These people think nothing of coming 20 miles to service, by sea or land, and throughout the interminable office they preserve an earnest and hushed decorum.—North American Review.

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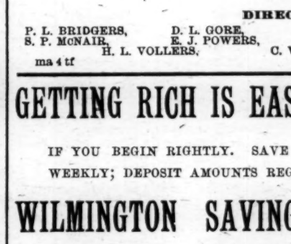

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Train 41—Leaves Portsmouth 9:20 A. M., arrives Weldon 11:43 A. M., Raleigh 3:36 P. M., Sanford 5:06 P. M., Hamlet 6:53 P. M., Wadesboro 8:10 P. M., Monroe 9:12 P. M., Charlotte 10:35 P. M., and Atlanta 8:20 A. M.

Train 38—Leaves Atlanta 9:50 P. M. Leaves Charlotte 5:00 A. M. Arrives Monroe 5:45A. M., Wadesboro 6:51 A.M., Hamlet 7:43 A. M., Sanford 9:52 A. M., Raleigh 11:13 A. M., Weldon 2:50 P. M., Portsmouth 5:20 P. M.

Train 38—Leaves Hamlet 8:20 A. M. Arrives Laurinburg 8:46 A. M., Maxton 9.05 A. M., Pembroke 9:31 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Wilmington 12.05 noon.

Train 403—Leaves Washington 5:00 P. M., Richmond 9:00 P. M., Portsmouth 8:45 P. M., Weldon 11:10 P. M. Arrives Raleigh 2:14 A. M., Sanford 3:33 A. M., Hamlet 5:07 A. M., Wadesboro 6:01 A. M., Monroe 6:53 A. M., Charlotte 8:00 A. M., Atlanta 2:50 P. M.

Train 402—Leave Charlotte 9:00 A. M. Arrives Lincolnton 10:20 A. M., Shelby 11:37 A. M., Shelby 11.37 A. M., Rutherfordton 12:50 noon.

Train 402—Leaves Rutherfordton 4:30 P. M. Arrives Shelby 5:40 P. M. Lincolnton 6:56 P. M., Charlotte 8:18 P. M., Monroe 9:10 P. M.

Train 402—Leaves Atlanta 12:00 noon. Arrives Monroe 9:30 P. M., Wadesboro 10:30 P. M., Hamlet 11:15 P. M., Sanford 12:55 P. M., Raleigh 3:00 A. M., Weldon 4:55 A. M., Portsmouth 7:35 A. M., Richmond 8:15 A. M., Washington 12:41 noon.

Train 18—Leaves Hamlet 7:15 P. M. Arrives Gibson 8:10 P. M. Returning, leaves Gibson 6:50 A. M. Arrives Hamlet 7.40 A. M.

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South Bound Daily No. 52.	MAIN LINE.	North Bound Daily No. 53.
6 50 p m	Ar.....Wilmington.....Lv	9 00 a m
3 50 p m	Lv.....Fayetteville.....Ar	12 10 a m
3 45 p m	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv	12 28 p m
2 30 p m	Lv.....Sanford.....Lv	1 43 p m
12 42 p m	Lv.....Climax.....Lv	3 44 p m
12 13 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Ar	4 15 p m
11 55 a m	Ar.....Greensboro.....Lv	4 25 p m
11 07 a m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv	5 12 p m
10 36 a m	Lv.....Walnut Cove.....Lv	5 44 p m
10 09 a m	Lv.....Rural Hall.....Lv	6 13 p m
8 45 a m	Lv.....Mt. Airy.....Ar	7 35 p m

South Bound Daily No. 64.	BENNETTSVILLE.	North Bound Daily No. 65.
8 00 a m	Lv.....Bennettsville.....Ar	7 15 p m
9 07 a m	Lv.....Maxton.....Lv	6 15 p m
9 35 a m	Lv.....Red Springs.....Lv	5 35 p m
10 20 a m	Lv.....Hope Mills.....Lv	4 52 p m
10 40 a m	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv	4 33 p m

No. 46		No. 47.

South Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday.	MADISON BRANCH.	North Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday.
5 30 p m	Ar.....Ramseur.....Lv	6 40 a m
3 50 p m	Lv.....Climax.....Ar	8 25 a m
2 40 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Ar	9 17 a m
2 20 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Lv	9 35 a m
1 15 p m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv	11 07 a m
12 30 p m	Lv.....Madison.....Ar	11 55 a m

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DAILY 9.45 A. M. — No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.19 A. M., Warsaw 11.33 A. M., Goldsboro 12.26 P. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.33 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M., Weldon 4.32 P. M., Petersburg 5.21 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.30 P. M., Baltimore 1.00 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 7.00 P. M. — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.34 P. M., Warsaw 8.48 P. M., Goldsboro 9.45 P. M., Wilson 10.38 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.38 P. M. Weldon 12.59 A. M., †Norfolk 10.25 A. M. Petersburg 2.35 A. M., Richmond 3.23 A. M., Washington 7 01 A. M., Baltimore 8.23 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M. New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. — No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. — No. 58—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.38 P. M. Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M. Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M., Denmark 6.12 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.50 P. M. — No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.03 P. M., New York *9.00 P. M., Philadelphia 12.05 A. M., Baltimore 2.50 A. M. Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 10.00 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 1.00 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.21 P. M., Warsaw 4.12 P. M., Magnolia 4.25 P. M.

DAILY 9.40 A. M. — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.30 A. M., Philadelphia 12.09 P. M., Baltimore 2.25 P. M., Washington 3.46 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Petersburg 8.12 P. M.,† Norfolk 2.30 P. M., Weldon 9.43 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.20 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.56 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. — No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.26 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.25 P. M. — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M. Columbia 6.50 A. M., Sumter 8.15 P. M., Florence 10.00 A. M., Marion 10.40 A. M., Chadbourn 11.44 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.13 A. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 6.30 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11.00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.05 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Train on Midland N. C. Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.35 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.30 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.10 A. M., 4.03 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 11.22 A. M.; 5.35 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 3.00 P. M.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 10.12 A. M., arrive Latta 10.32 A. M., Dillon 10.44 A. M., Rowland 11.01 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.20 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.20 A. M.; arrive Hub 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 5.13 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.00 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.50 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.25 A. M.; 5.55 P. M Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 2.25 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.55 P. M.; arrive Darlington 9.30 P. M., Hartsville —— P. M., Bennettsville 9.15 P. M., Gibson 9.45 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.50 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.00 A. M. Bennettsville 7.00 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.02 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 3.00 P. M., Cheraw 4.45 P. M., Hartsville 2.15 P. M., Darlington 6.29 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.58 P. M., 11.15 P. M., arrive Selma 2.50 P. M. 12.01 P. M. Smithfield 3.02 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M. Fayetteville 4.35 P. M., 1.10 A. M., Rowland 6.00 P. M., returning leave Rowland 11.01 A. M., Fayetteville 12.26 P. M., 9.40 P. M., Dunn 12.25 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 10.55 P. M., arrive Wilson 1.06 P. M., 11.59 A. M.

Manchester & Augusta R. R. trains leave Sumter 4.29 A. M., Creston 5.17 A. M., arrive Denmark 6.13 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.13 P. M., Sumter 6.08 P. M. Daily.

Pregnalls Branch train leaves Creston 5.45 A. M., arrives Pregnalls 9.15 A. M. Returning, leaves Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrives Creston 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

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Time Table No. 3.

To Take Effect Sunday, Nov. 28, 1897, at 12 M.

GOING EAST.			GOING WEST.	
3 Pass'g'r Trains		STATIONS.	4 Pass'g'r Trains	
Arrive	Leave		Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
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The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, APRIL 1.

BUSINESS SITUATION IS NOT IMPROVING.

A Check, Partly the Result of Heavy Buying—A Period of Transition, With a Lull in Trade.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 31.—R. G. Dun & Co., in their weekly *Review of Trade*, will say:

Failures during the first quarter of 1899 have been in amount of liabilities not more than about $26,680,330, against $31,710,142 last year, $48,007,910 in 1897, and $57,525,135 in 1896. While the later returns may increase the amount for the first quarter a little, the complete returns, which will be given next week, will be very remarkable in comparison with those of any previous year.

Business is not at present improving. There has been something very like a check, partly the result of heavy buying, since January 1st to anticipate the market, partly caused by the uncertainty about the operation of many combinations, and a shade of doubt about foreign affairs also had some influence. The new rule of the clearing house banks at new York about taxation of country checks also causes some shifting of accounts.

A Period of Transition

from one ownership and management to another, and from one industrial system to another, when it affects many hundreds almost throughout the country, inevitably causes some hesitation in business. A little later, the many hundred concerns may be doing more business than ever, as they were just before the combinations were affected; but at the point of transition nobody knows just what to expect.

There is much withdrawal of iron because continuance of high prices is doubted, because great purchases made by many works have not been met by orders, and because works affected by many other combinations proposed are not inclined to buy more largely.

Structural demand increases, but bar mills at the West and South are consolidating and are not disposed to take large contracts, although the Pittsburg mills are asking $1.50, because behind their orders. For plates the demand far exceeds the supply at Philadelphia and Chicago, and the leading mills at Pittsburg are full until August or later. In hoops, cotton ties, tubes and other products expected

Consolidation Affects Business.

Minor metals are stronger for tin, at 24 cents with consuming demand, and for copper at 17.5 cents, owing to London speculation. More evidence appears that the woollen manufacture is not helped as yet by new combinations or the prospect of them, and the buying demand has been disappointing in many ways, though in dress goods it is active.

The boot and shoe business is again halting because of differences between buyers and sellers as to prices.

The fluctuations of the wheat market have been large and tend on the whole toward higher quotations. Exports at Atlantic ports, flour included, have been for four weeks 11,679,513 bushels, against 9,392,495 last year; Pacific, 3,963,687 bushels, against 3,774,112; and the other exports, not giving last year, make the total 17,317,089 bushels. Western receipts have been 12,949,861 bushels against 9,968,373 last year.

Railroad earnings for three weeks of March have been 4.1 per cent. larger than last year and 9.5 per cent. larger than in 1892, and the east-bound tonnage from Chicago in four weeks has been 459,438 tons, against 622,901 last year and 356,365 in 1892, which indicates quite clearly the remarkable depression in rates a year ago.

Failures for the week have been 194 in the United States against 220 last year and 26 in Canada against 27 last year.

FROM THE CUBAN ASSEMBLY.

Cold Comfort Given by Secretary of State Hay to Delegates Villalon and Hevia.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—The delegates from the Cuban Assembly, Messrs. Villalon and Hevia, called informally at the State Department today and had a long conversation with Secretary Hay. The affairs in Cuba were freely discussed and the delegates presented the resolution of the Cuban Assembly. Secretary Hay assured the delegates that the United States government would not increase the amount to pay the Cuban army above the three million dollars already sent to Cuba. He said this matter could not be further considered. He also informed them that the President would not consent to any scheme for raising money by the Cuban Assembly to pay the Cuban troops. Later, the Secretary mentioned the call to the President and the President informed him that there would be no other or further answer to the delegation than had already been given by the Secretary.

NEXT SESSION ON CONGRESS.

Contested Election Cases That Will Come Up for Consideration—Some of the Testimony Already Filed.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—The clerk of the House of Representatives is beginning to receive installments of the testimony in contested election cases which will come up for consideration at the next session of Congress. Thus far most of the testimony has been from the contestants.

Probably the most important cases will be those of Dockery against Bellamy, in the Sixth North Carolina district, and Walker against Rhea, in the Ninth Virginia district. In the elections in both these districts, incidents subsequent thereto have been attended with bloodshed.

Evidence has been filed from other districts, as follows:

Fourth Alabama, Aldrich against Robbins; Eighth Kentucky, Davidson against Gilbert; Eleventh district, White against Boering; Ninth North Carolina, Pearson against Crawford; Second Virginia, Wise against Young.

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MALOLOS TAKEN BY AMERICANS.

Filipino Forces Set Fire to the Town and Retreat to the Mountains.

MACARTHUR NOT TO FOLLOW

Probable Cessation of Active Hostilities During Rainy Season—Native Troops May be Enlisted If Filipinos Inaugurate Guerilla Warfare.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, March 31, 3:55 P. M.—The American flag was raised over Malolos at 10 o'clock this morning. The Kansas regiment and the Montana regiment, on entering the city, found it deserted, the Presidencia burning and the rebels retreating toward the mountains in a state of terror. It is believed they cannot in future make even a faint resistance. The American loss was small.

It is evident that the rebels had for some time past abandoned all hope of holding their capital, for the Americans found there evidences of elaborate preparations for evacuation. On the railroad, the rails and ties for about a mile had been torn up and probably thrown into the river. The only prisoners captured were a few Chinamen. They said Aguinaldo left Malolos on Wednesday. The principal citizens of Malolos, their families and goods have been taken into the country over the railroad, while others departed on foot, carrying their possessions and driving their cattle and other animals before them.

Most of the rebel forces were removed yesterday evening to positions east of the railroad, leaving only a small band in the strong trenches in front of Malolos.

MacArthur's Advance.

General MacArthur started for the rebel capital at 7 o'clock this morning with two rapid-fire guns flanking the track, two guns of the Utah battery on the right and two guns of the Sixth artillery on the left of the rapids, firing continually.

The Kansas and Montana regiments moved upon Malolos and the Nebraska and Pennsylvania regiments and the Third artillery kept along the right of the railroad.

The only effective stand made by the rebels was at bamboo and earthen works, half a mile from Malolos and on the right where the Nebraska regiment, as was the case yesterday, had the hardest work and suffered the greatest loss.

Colonel Funston, always at the front, was the first man in Malolos, followed by a group of dashing Kansans. The Filipino flag, which was flying from the centre of the town, was hauled down by some men of the Montana regiment who triumphantly raised their own.

Government Building Burned.

From the columns of smoke arising from the city it seemed as if the whole place was ablaze. It turned out, however, that only the Presidencia, or government building and a few of the smaller buildings had been set afire by the rebels before they evacuated the place.

From reports gathered by the American officers, from prisoners and others, it is believed that the rebel army is constantly losing strength on account of desertions, and that although the enemy may make one or two more stands, the forces of Aguinaldo will degenerate, in perhaps a month, to a few hundred who may continue waging a guerilla warfare in the mountains.

The American troops behaved splendidly. They advanced steadily against successive lines of trenches, through woods and jungles and suffering from frightful heat. In addition the American volunteers were handicapped in fighting by the fact that their Springfield rifles are of shorter range than the Mauser rifles in the hands of the rebels. Under those circumstances the steady advance of our troops is a really remarkable achievement.

Victorious Americans

But the most noteworthy feature of this onward sweep of the Americans is the patience and endurance of the private soldiers. They have never hesitated to plunge across any kind of difficult country, against any number of the enemy, and in the face of positions of entirely unknown strength. This afternoon the victorious American army is feasting on cocoanuts and bananas, and enjoying a well earned rest, while the hospital train is carrying the wounded back to Manila.

Cessation of Hostilities.

WASHINGTON, March 31—The following dispatch was received at the War Department early this morning:

"*Manila, March 31, 1899.*—Troops resting at Malolos. Considerable portion of the city destroyed by fire. Our casualties, one killed, fifteen wounded. Hall has returned with his troops to former position north of Manila."

It is said at the War Department that General Otis will not make a campaign during the rainy season, nor is it believed that he will at present chase the Filipinos into the mountain fastnesses of Luzon. The officials consider it evident that the fight that was in Aguinaldo has been whipped out of him, and it is believed he cannot hold the Filipino army together much longer.

Natives to Fight Guerillas.

If General Otis advises, the War Department will approve a cessation of active hostilities or further forward movement, when little can be accomplished save chasing the Filipinos without definite results. A short rest will determine whether the Filipinos intend to keep up a guerilla warfare, and if so a plan is already maturing to meet such conditions. Natives will be employed to fight the guerillas, and as the government can give them better pay and afford them greater protection than Aguinaldo, there is no doubt about the ability to employ natives in this way. If there must be guerilla fighting during the rainy season, which will soon be upon the Philippines, the United States will not sacrifice its troops in such warfare if natives can be obtained.

Hall's Brigade on the North.

MANILA, March 31.—General Hall's brigade advanced to-day from Marquina up the Mateo river valley almost to Montalban, driving the enemy to the hills on the north. The rebels were in considerable force at the junction of the rivers Nanca and Ampit with the Meteo; but the American artillery soon scattered them with heavy loss. The American loss was one killed, Lieut. Gregg, of the Fourth infantry. General Hall eventually returned to the water works.

Recently issued copies of the *Republica Filipina*, Aguinaldo's official organ, contain a proclamation to the effect that certain parties are raiding the northern towns, and ordering the same to join the Filipino army immediately or take the consequences when Aguinaldo shall have finished with the Americans.

This is construed as meaning that Macaholas, the governor of the five northern provinces, is unfriendly to Aguinaldo. If this be true, Aguinaldo's retreat is undoubtedly cut off at the railroad beyond San Fernando.

Lying Reports.

The *Republica Filipina* on March 28rd, published an extra edition containing a statement to the effect that the Americans had attacked Pasig, that many of them were killed, and a majority of the remainder were wounded, while 180 of them were taken prisoners.

A second paragraph in the same edition asserted that the Americans had ravished three hundred of the Filipinos' fairest daughters and called upon the natives to "defend their honor with their lives against oppressors who spared neither age, sex, nor condition, murdering whole families in cold-blooded revenge."

The American steamer Roanoke recently picked up a native boat containing a dozen Spanish prisoners who had escaped from Dagupan, and had been nearly three days afloat with neither food nor water. They reported that the prisoners expected to be killed when the Americans advanced, but knew nothing of the fate of those in the southern torwns.

REGARDING SAMOA.

Germany's Latest Proposals Favorably Received at Washington—Newspaper Comment in Berlin.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

BERLIN, March 31.—The American ambassador, Mr. Andrew D. White, visited the foreign office this morning and informed the officials there that the latest proposals of Germany regarding Samoa had been favorably received at Washington.

The attitude of the press is generally fair and moderate, though some of the newspapers are attacking the authorities bitterly, claiming that they are making too many concessions to the United States and Great Britain.

The German press having strongly intimated that Mr. White and the American government showed bad faith when they recently assured Germany that conciliatory instructions had been cabled to Admiral Kautz, Mr. White has deemed it advisable to denounce this as a libel and as untrue, adding that neither Washington nor he knew anything of the Samoan bombardment sooner than the German government.

Joint Commission to Settle Trouble.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—A joint high commission, to settle the entire Samoan trouble, has been practically agreed upon by the United States, British and German governments. Lord Salisbury's absence from London alone delays the formal acceptance by Great Britain, though in his absence Sir Thomas Sanderson and Mr. Villiers, who are understood to be especially familiar with the Samoan question, have approved the plan for a commission. The United States informally expressed its approval, and the formal acceptance, it is learned from the highest quarter, will follow speedily. As the proposition emenates with Germany her approval of course is assured. This high commission, it is felt, affords a pacific solution to the whole trouble at the moment when Samoan affairs began to look the most threatening.

CLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE.

Organized by Southern and Southeastern Railroads—P. J. McGovern Elected Chairman.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, GA., March 31.—The Southern and Southeastern roads today organized the Southeastern classification committee and elected P. J. McGovern chairman, at a salary of $3,000 a year.

The lines in this territory have not had a separate organization to look after classification in the past; that matter being in the hands of the freight association, where it was in the nature of a side issue.

Mr. McGovern, the new chairman, is at present chief rate clerk for the Southern railway in Washington. The new committee will begin work April 15th. The following roads were represented at the meeting: Southern, Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis; Seaboard Air Line; Florida Coast; Plant system; Illinois Central, Cincinnati, New Orleans and Texas Pacific; Florida Central and Peninsula; Atlanta, Knoxville and Northern; Chattanooga, Rose and Southern; Kansas City, Memphis and Birmingham; Atlanta and West Point and the Augusta Southern.

SILVER DOLLAR DINNER.

To be Given by Chicago Platform Democrats in New York.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 13.—Eugene V. Brewster, treasurer of the committee of arrangements for the silver dinner to be given in the Grand Central Palace on April 19th, to commemorate the birthday of Thomas Jefferson, gave out the following statement today:

"To dispel all doubts in the minds of the public, friends and admirers of the Chicago platform, and those who have forwarded money for tickets for the Jeffersonian dinner, we, the only authorized arrangement committee of fifteen, in order to avoid all disputes in future, hereby desire to announce that the Jeffersonian dinner will be given by Chicago Platform Democrats on Wednesday, April 19th, at 7 P. M., in the Grand Central Palace, at which Mr. Bryan will be present and make an address."

It is estimated that 3,000 will be present at the dinner, of which 1,000 have already paid for seats.

THE TOBACCO TRUST.

Capital Stock Increased from $35,000,000 to $70,000,000.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

TRENTON, N. J., March 31.—Papers were filed with the Secretary of State this afternoon, increasing the capital stock of the American Tobacco Company from $35,000,000 to $70,000,000. The number of companies incorporated during the month was two hundred and fifty, by which there was paid filing fees amounting to $126,000. There were thirty-five companies whose authorized capital exceeded $1,000,000 each, and the aggregate authorized capital of these thirty-five companies was $1,111,750,000.

Transport Logan arrived at Savannah quarantine with the One Hundred and Sixty-first Indiana volunteers.

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SHIPWRECK AND LOSS OF LIVES.

The British Passenger Steamer Stella Sunk in the English Channel.

SEVENTY OR MORE DROWNED

Vessel Struck the Rocks Near the Island of Alderney in a Dense Fog—Boilers Burst—Heart-Rending Scenes. Stories of Survivors.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

SOUTHAMPTON, March 31.—The passenger steamer Stella, plying between this port and the Channel islands, crashed upon the dreaded Casquet rocks, near the island of Alderney, yesterday afternoon in a dense fog and foundered in ten minutes, her boilers exploding as she went down. Reports as to the number lost are conflicting, but the officials of the London and Southwestern Railway Company, which company owns the boat, said that the drowned will not exceed seventy. Other reports make the loss much higher. Three boats, including a collapsible boat, are missing.

The Stella left Southampton at noon yesterday, conveying the first daylight excursion of the season to the Channel islands. There were about 185 passengers on board and the crew numbered 35 men. The weather was foggy, but all went well until the afternoon when the fog became most dense. At 4 o'clock the Casquet rocks suddenly loomed up through the fog bank and the steamer almost immediately afterwards struck amidships. The captain, seeing that the Stella was fast sinking, ordered the lifeboats to be launched. His instructions were carried out with the utmost celerity and the women and the children were embarked in the boats. Then the captain ordered the men to look after themselves.

Ship's Boilers Burst.

A survivor asserts that he and twenty five others put off from the Stella in a small boat. The sea was calm but there was a big swirl around the rocks. When this boat was a short distance away from the wreck the boilers of the Stella burst with a terrific explosion and the vessel disappeared stern foremost in the sea.

The last thing the survivor saw was the figure of the captain of the Stella standing calmly on the bridge and giving his last instructions. The captain perished with his vessel, owing to the suction caused by the sinking steamer being very great indeed.

Continuing, the survivor referred to said, "The suction was so tremendous that we thought our boat would be engulfed. I saw five boats and the collapsible boat, beside our boat, leave the wreck. They contained altogether between eighty and a hundred persons. Five of the boats were soon lost to view, but we took a boat filled with women in tow and the occupants of our boat took the oars in turn and rowed all night long until most of us dropped asleep, thoroughly exhausted. We sighted a sail boat at six o'clock in the morning, but the Great Western Railway Company's steamer Lynx, from Weymouth, had meanwhile hove in sight. She bore down on us and took us all on board. She eventually landed us at Guernsey."

Some of the Saved.

The Great Railway Company's steamer Vera, from Southampton, picked up forty others of the survivors and landed them at Guernsey.

Up to noon to day 102 passengers had been accounted for, including Mr. J. Parton and his wife. Mr. Parton is the manager of the Western London office of the American line. Later accounts say that the Stella had 140 passengers on board and that her crew numbered forty-two persons.

Another steamer of the same company, which arrived at the island of Jersey at about noon to day, reports having passed many bodies of victims of the disaster about the Casquet rocks.

A survivor of the disaster named Bush, says that two lifeboats were sunk with the steamer which, after resting on the rocks for ten or fifteen minutes, split in two and disappeared. Continuing, Bush said: "When the Stella disappeared forty or fifty persons were discovered clinging to pieces of wreckage or cabin furniture and crying piteously for help.

We rowed supposedly in the direction of Guernsey, but seven hours later we found ourselves near the scene of the wreck, and saw dozens of persons clinging to the rocks."

The passengers all agree that perfect order and discipline prevailed on board the Stella. The crew promptly took up their stations when the steamer struck, served out the life belts and lowered the boats.

Heart Rendering Scenes.

The scene at the moment of the sinking of the vessel was heart-rendering. Women were screaming and praying and people were clinging to spars and other wreckage in all directions. Those who had succeeded in getting into the boats had a narrow escape from being engulfed on account of the suction caused by the sinking vessel.

The voice of Captain Rooks, from the bridge, was frequently heard urging the rowers to pull for their lives.

The boats were adrift for fifteen hours, during which time their occupants were without food or water, and as their clothes were drenched they suffered severely.

The disaster is generally attributed to the high speed at which the steamer was travelling in the fog.

It is thought probable that the Partons were the only Americans on board the Stella, as the list of survivors does not contain the names of any other Americans so far as known.

The second mate was the only officer of the Stella who was saved.

The captain and the other officers, most of the crew and many of the passengers sank with the Stella. A boat in charge of the chief officer capsized and almost all its occupants were drowned. A few of them were picked up by other boats.

The steamer Honfleur returned to-night after having made the circle of the Casquet rocks. She picked up two boats containing women's clothing, money, jewelry and an opera glass case. The last had evidently been used in bailing.

Many pathetic incidents are reported. In several cases men lifted their wives and children into the boats and then perished themselves in their presence. One wife, who was thus bereaved, lost her reason.

A large number of the survivors arrived here without any clothing, clad only in blankets.

CHERBOURG, FRANCE, March 31.—The tug Marsouin has arrived here and reports having picked up a boat containing eight passengers of the British steamer Stella, wrecked yesterday afternoon on the Casquet rocks, in a fog. All the rescued persons were suffering from injuries.

The Georgia State Baptist convention began its 77th annual convention in Savannah. Ex-Governor W. J. Northern is the presiding officer.

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Department of Public Works, Bureau of Streets.

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BASE BALL GAMES.

College Teams — University of North Carolina Shuts Out Lehigh at Chapel Hill.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RALEIGH, N. C., March 31.—A special to the *News and Observer* from Chapel Hill, N. C., says: The University of North Carolina shut out Lehigh to-day, playing an errorless game. Winston's pitching was too much for the visitors. The score was Carolina 5, Lehigh 0.

Carolina and Lehigh cross bats tomorrow in Greensboro, and again Monday in Winston.

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., March 31.—The game to day between Yale and Hampton was very one-sided, the locals going into the game without practice and were easy victims. The game was a walk-over from start to finish, and almost devoid of a suggestion of sport. It was called in the seventh inning to enable the visitors to catch the boat. The score stood Hampton 5, Yale 19.

MACON, GA., March 31.—Cornell defeated Mercer University to-day in the opening game of the season. The attendance was good, and the game was exciting throughout, the two teams being evenly matched. Score, 11 to 7.

COLUMBIA, S. C., March 31.—La-Fayette defeated the South Carolina College team here to-day by a score of 15 to 14.

STATE LAND SOLD.

Tract of Eighty Thousand Acres Purchased by a Lumber Company.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RALEIGH, N. C., March 31.—A tract of swamp land lying in the eastern part of this State and containing eighty thousand acres, was to-day purchased by the Branning Lumber Company. The price paid was $80,000, or a dollar an acre. These lands belonged to the State Board of Education, and the purchase money will be turned into the general school fund. An option on this land has been held for several years by a Charlotte real estate company. This option they to day sold to the Brannings, who own large lumber manufacturing plants in this State. Much of the land is heavily timbered.

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